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1. Ambassador Gauquier, dissatisfied because he believes his sentiments* have earned him the distrust of the Hungarian people (whom he refers to as "unreliable collaborators of the Allies, particularly of the USSR") is anxious to leave Budapest for another post, possibly Prague or Belgrade.
2. The Quai d'Orsay, although aware of Gauquier's pro-Russian views, will not be able to find a suitable replacement for him before the spring of 1947, according to source.

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3. [REDACTED] French relations with Hungary were "complicated" by the fact that any pro-Russian representative was doomed to encounter the same attitude as Gauquier, while on the other hand Couve de Murville and Francois Coulet, who virtually direct the French Foreign Office do not favor a policy of general appeasement in the Danube basin nor do they believe any useful purpose can be served by encouraging Hungary to collaborate along western democratic lines.

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